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B. [ ] 2246 (IN 29147)

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1. APPRECIATE FURNISH \*EVENTUALLY\* ALL NAMES INVOLVED IN OP,

URGENTLY REQUIRE, HOWEVER, INFO RE PRESENCE KOROWEC IN ITALY REQUESTED IN REF A.

BRING ATTENTION [ ]. OUR 10 FEB QUERY AND

HENCE REQUEST YOU ASK [ ] WHETHER THEIR OP IS KOROWEC.

FYI ONLY: WHILE IN SMOOTH CUSTODY KOROWEC CAME INTO POSSESSION EXTREMELY  
SENSITIVE INFO PERTAINING TO KUBARK OPS WHICH IF REVEALED TO UNAUTHORIZED  
SOURCES WOULD STRIKE ADVERSE BLOW TO ANOTHER KUBARK OP. KOROWEC LONG A TARGET  
OF BANDERA WHO DESIRED USE HIM EITHER FOR OP OR FOR TRAINING OTHER PERSONNEL.  
FOR THIS REASON, FEEL HE POSSIBLY OPERATIVE MENTIONED REF C.

2. RE PARA 3 REF B FEEL IT SUPERFLUOUS PROVIDE FULL TRACE REQUESTED IN  
GROUP ANTI-  
REF C SINCE BANDERA AND [ ] WELL KNOWN AS STAUNCH ANTI COMMUNIST REFUGEES  
AND SIFAR MUST HAVE VITAL STATISTICS IF IN OP CONTACT. FEEL, HOWEVER, OUR  
REASONS GIVEN BELOW FOR OUR DESIRE SIFAR DISASSOCIATE ITSELF FROM BANDERA AND  
DESIST FROM PLANNED OP SHOULD SUFFICE IN SELLING [ ] ON DESIRABILITY CHECK

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SOV OPS WITH KUBARK. ASSUME YOU MEAN MONITOR, NOT CONTROL.

## 3. REASONS FOR KUBARK DESIRING A DISASSOCIATION:

A. SINCE CIRCA 1948 BANDERA PERSONALLY AND HIS GROUP CONSIDERED LIABILITIES TO FREE WORLD ANTI-COMMUNIST STRUGGLE. WE HAVE CONSISTENTLY URGED OTHER WESTERN INTEL AGENCIES TO REFRAIN FROM ANY FI OR PP ASSOCIATION WITH BANDERA. THIS IS BASED ON BANDERA'S UNACCEPTABLE POLITICAL IDEOLOGY, WHICH HAS BEEN REJECTED BY OTHER DEMOCRATIC UKR EMIGRE GROUPS AS WELL AS BY ODAID AND KUBARK, AND HIS TERRORISTIC TACTICS AND FALSE PRETENSIONS TO REPRESENT ANTI-SOVIET UNDERGROUND IN THE USSR. IN THIS VEIN WISH POINT OUT BANDERA REPUDIATED BY UKR UNDERGROUND IN 1953 FOR DIVERSIONARY TACTICS AND ATTEMPT USURP CONTROL OVER ENTIRE UKR RESISTANCE ~~SMOTHE~~ IN HOMELAND AS WELL AS IN EMIGRATION, CONTRARY TO DIRECTIVES OF UNDERGROUND LEADERSHIP. FURTHERMORE, BANDERA ORDERED BY UNDERGROUND HEADQUARTERS TO REORGANIZE HIS GROUP ALONG DEMOCRATIC LINES, WHICH HE REFUSED DO, AND ORDERED CEASE OPS INTO USSR AND POLAND, WHICH, AS HEAD OF OUN IN EMIGRATION, HE NOT AUTHORIZED CARRY OUT. WHEN HE REFUSED HONOR HOMELAND DIRECTIVE, SMOTHE SEVERED RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM AND HIS ORGANIZATION, IN PART DUE KUBARK PRESSURE.

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B. SINCE REPUDIATION BY HOMELAND LEADERSHIP AND BY MANY FORMER  
 EMIGRE FOLLOWERS, AND SINCE CAST OFF BY SMOH, BANDERA HAS CONTINUED  
 DIVERSIONARY AND DISRUPTIVE TACTICS PRIMARILY DIRECTED AT UKR EMIGRE GROUP  
 OF INTEREST TO KUBARK. EFFECTS THESE TACTICS HAVE PROVED HARMFUL AND  
 EMBARRASSING AT TIMES~~AND~~ AND HAVE FORCED NECESSARY PREVENTATIVE MEASURES  
 BE TAKEN BY BOTH KUBARK AND THE TARGET EMIGRE GROUP. TO ENHANCE HIS POSITION  
 IN EMIGRATION, BANDERA HAS REPEATEDLY SOUGHT SUPPORT FROM SEVERAL WESTERN  
 COUNTRIES ALL OF WHOM, WITH EXCEPTION OF SIFAR, HAVE REJECTED HIM. THEREFORE,  
 CONTINUED SIFAR SUPPORT OF BANDERA WILL INCREASE HIS PRESTIGE AND ENABLE HIM  
 CONTINUE UNSAVORY WORK IN EMIGRATION AND USSR.

## 4. REASONS WHY SIFAR SHOULD DESIST FROM OP:

CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE EXISTS WHICH SHOWS THAT ALL FORMER BANDERA  
 ASSETS IN UKRAINE AND POLAND (TO WHICH ASSETS WE ASSUME SIFAR OP WOULD BE  
 DIRECTED) HAVE BEEN AND STILL ARE UNDER POLISH ~~AND~~ AND RIS CONTROL. OBVIOUSLY  
 SIFAR WILL HAVE TO ~~TAK~~ TAKE OUR WORD THAT THIS IS SO. IT IS DOUBTFUL WHETHER  
 BANDERA IS AWARE OF THIS STATE OF AFFAIRS CONCERNING HIS ALLEGED ASSETS IN USSR,  
 OR IF HE SUSPECTS, WHETHER HE WOULD TELL SIFAR. IN ANY CASE, OP CERTAIN TO

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COME UNDER US OR RIS CONTROL; AND INTEL PRODUCT BOUND TO BE RIS WORK, AND  
 AND BY SOVIETS TO  
 WOULD BE USED BY BANDERA TO FURTHER DISRUPT EMIGRE PICTURE, PENETRATE SIFAR.  
 SINCE DISORGANIZATION OF EMIGRATION CURRENT PRIME RIS TARGET, KUBARK TASK IS  
 CONTER MEASURES TO PREVENT FRIENDLY SERVICES FROM MOUNTING "OPS" SUCH AS  
 THIS ONE.

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